

with no off-street parking and no on-street spaces available closer than those on Main Street at least a half a block away.

The library is staffed by one full-time librarian who is assisted occasionally by a substitute. The number of volumes in the Davidson library is currently about 15,000, with access to additional books from the main branch in Charlotte. (Based on present estimated population of the Davidson town and fringe area, this is 4.2 volumes per person.) The average circulation in Davidson is about 2,000 volumes per month. This is less than Cornelius branch circulation, largely because of competition from the Davidson College library (for those who have access to it) plus the fact that there are several active book clubs in town which circulate books other than those from the town library.

The Davidson library service is also based on a 40-hour week and the area served is less than that of the Cornelius branch. Users of the Davidson library live primarily within the town of Davidson. Based on the present service area and circulation, the seating space is adequate, but additional shelf space is needed. There is virtually no room for expansion of the building in Davidson short of the possibility of acquiring additional property to the rear of the structure.

Standards

Both service and physical standards are included here for consideration in planning for future library needs of Cornelius and Davidson. These standards were compiled from those published in 1963 by the North Carolina State Library in a booklet entitled Standards for North Carolina Public Libraries. These standards were prepared by the North Carolina Library Association with approval of the North Carolina State Library Board.